

1. [] the Nachrichten Kaserne in Koenigsbrueck was occupied by a course or a training battalion of about 200 troops [] The strength of the unit varied constantly. [] The troops assigned to the training battalion were red-bordered black epaulets, mostly with artillery insignia. When marching out, the troops were armed with small arms and 82-mm mortars. [] the unit was not equipped with motor vehicles, but received vehicles from Neues Lager, if needed. 1

2. Troops and materiel seen en route from the direction of the summer camp to the Koenigsbrueck railroad station between 27 September and 4 October included:

27 September. JS-3 tanks []
28 September. SU-76 guns [] 8 trucks which, [] went toward Oschatz-Wurzen.

3 October. Trucks towing 37-mm AA guns. []
4 October. Trucks carrying ammunition boxes [] coming from the direction of Schwepnitz.

[] the bulk of the troops had already left. 3
A tank unit from Meissen, under the command of a colonel, was definitely stationed in the summer camp as late as 6 October. 4

3. Majors Varovski and Mitrofanov (fnu), supply officers at Neues Lager [] stated that, until the end of 1953, the Russian women now employed at PX-shops and other agencies would have to return to the USSR; that, then, all occupation costs would have to be paid by the occupation power and that, therefore, German employees would be employed. 5 They further stated that, since early October, Soviet troops were permitted to send to the USSR one 20-kg parcel per month, as against one 10-kg parcel per month as previously.

4. On 30 September and 1 October, 42 T-34/85 tanks [] 6 JS tanks [] and an undetermined number of trucks, [] were seen at the Koenigsbrueck railroad station, coming from Neues Lager. At 11:30 a.m. on 1 October, a shipment of 16 JS tanks and 6 trucks left the Schwepnitz railroad station toward

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north. Forty T-34/85 tanks [redacted] 6 six-wheel armored personnel carriers [redacted] and an undetermined number of trucks, including No 6 9-60-20, were also entrained. Another 6 JS tanks and truck [redacted] were ready for entraining.

5. Between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. on 30 September, sentries wearing red-bordered black epaulets with motor transport insignia and equipped with signal flags were posted along the road from Koenigsbrueck to the autobahn to Dresden. During the same period, the following columns were observed:
- a column of 32 trucks, including 5 kitchens, 16 trucks towing canvas-covered AA guns, 1 tank truck and 1 truck mounting an AA machine gun [redacted] and escorted by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and carrying full field pack;
 - a second column of 20 trucks, mostly van-like trucks towing trailers, and including 1 kitchen and 1 truck occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and carrying full field equipment [redacted] and a third column of 14 trucks, including 2 trucks mounting AA machine guns [redacted] and escorted by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and carrying full field pack. 3

1. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] according to information of World War II and present observations in Borna and Koenigsbrueck, [redacted] to the 1st Gds Tank Regt of the 8th Gds Mecz Div in Borna. [redacted] the regiment could be carried in the training camp west of Schwepnitz as late as 29 September 1953. [redacted] The information that [redacted] the komendatura, therefore, appears credible. Information on the occupation of the barracks installation tends to indicate that the training battalion observed there may be the unidentified tank training battalion of the 11th Gds Tank Div.

2. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] 358th Gds AAA Regt of the 8th Gds Mecz Div stationed in Leisnig until 6 October 1953. [redacted] Colonel Mednikov (fnu) [redacted] carried as commanding officer of the abovementioned regiment. [redacted] 4th Gds AAA Div of the First Gds Mecz Army in Koenigsbrueck, Neues Lager, until 6 October 1953. [redacted]

3. [redacted] Comment. The departure from the Koenigsbrueck training area of troops of the First Gds Mecz Army, which started in late September, was repeatedly confirmed. According to reports on transportation, a total of 8 trains went to the post area of the 9th Tank Div between 1 and 5 October. [redacted] elements of the 9th Tank Div were stationed in Koenigsbrueck in September. Information on intensive air activity, in connection with movements of ground units, tends to indicate that combined arms exercises presumably were held in the First Gds Mecz Army area in late September.

4. [redacted] Comment. The 95th Tank Regt of the 9th Tank Div and the 45th Gds Tank Regt of the 11th Gds Tank Div are stationed in Meissen.

5. [redacted] Comment. Similar rumors were reported from Doeberitz.

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